



COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD COOPERATING TECHNICAL PARTNERS MAPPING ACTIVITY STATEMENT

Mapping Activity Statement No. 14 – Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map Production and Development of Updated Flood Data

In accordance with the Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Partnership Agreement dated July 15, 2002, between the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Mapping Activity Statement (MAS) No. 14 is as follows.

Section 1: Objective and Scope

The objective of the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS is to develop a Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for Garfield County and Incorporated Areas including Parachute, Rifle, Silt, Carbondale, New Castle, and Glenwood Springs. The DFIRM and FIS report will be produced in the FEMA Countywide Format.

Within 30 days of this agreement, the CWCB shall input the scope of work into the FEMA Scoping Tool. This includes information concerning community ordinance data, local GIS data availability, and the flood reach data for existing and proposed conditions. The FEMA Scoping Tool documentation can be found at <http://www.hazards.gov/resources/scoping.htm>.

The CTP shall notify FEMA and the NSP by e-mail of all meetings with community officials at least one week prior to the meeting. FEMA and/or the NSP may or may not attend the community meetings.

The following will complete this Flood Map Project:

- CWCB;
- PBS&J; and
- Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., FEMA NSP.

The activities for this Flood Map Project, including required Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) reviews, and the Mapping Partners that will complete them are summarized in Table 1-1. All activities that are to be accomplished by CWCB or contractors to CWCB, including contractors that may be selected after the project startup, are included in the "CTP" column. All activities that are to be accomplished by FEMA or FEMA's NSP are included in the FEMA/NSP column. The sections of this MAS that follow Table 1-2 describe the specific activities, responsible Mapping Partner(s), FEMA standards that must be met, and resultant map components.

Table 1-2. Summary of Project Activities and Assignments

Activities	CTP	FEMA /NSP
Activity 1: Pre-Scoping		
Activity 2: Scoping	X	X
Activity 3: Field Surveys and Reconnaissance		
Activity 4: Topographic Data Development		
Activity 5: Independent QA/QC Review of Topographic Data		
Activity 6: Hydrologic Analyses		
Activity 7: Independent QA/QC Review of Hydrologic Analyses		
Activity 8: Hydraulic Analyses		
Activity 9: Independent QA/QC Review of Hydraulic Analyses		
Activity 10: Floodplain Mapping (Detailed Riverine or Coastal Analysis)		
Activity 10A: Floodplain Mapping (Redelineation Using Effective Flood Profiles and Updated Topographic Data)		
Activity 10B: Floodplain Mapping (Refinement or Creation of Zone A)	X	
Activity 11: Independent QA/QC Review of Floodplain Mapping (Revised Areas)		X
Activity 12: Base Map Acquisition	X	
Activity 13: DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)	X	
Activity 13A: Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)		X
Activity 14: DFIRM Production (Merging Revised and Non-Revised Information)	X	
Activity 14A: DFIRM Production (Application of FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications)	X	
Activity 14B: Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Product Meeting FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications		X
Activity 15: Preliminary DFIRM and EIS Report Distribution	X	X
Activity 16: Post-Preliminary Processing	X	X
Activity 17: Outreach	X	

Compliance with Floodplain Boundary Data Quality Standards: The data quality standards documented in Section 7 of the Multi-Year Flood Hazard Identification Plan (MHIP) for Fiscal Year 2004-2008 (Version 1, November 2004) should be used as the basis for producing DFIRMs. The MIP utilities available at the time of study submittals should be run to verify compliance with these data quality standards. Compliance with these standards will help FEMA achieve a Map Modernization goal of providing a reliable, web-based national flood layer in digital GIS format.

The floodplain boundary data quality standards outlined in Table 7-1 of the MHIP should be followed in addition to existing standards specified for floodplain mapping in the Guidelines, including Volume I, Section 1.4 and Appendices C, D, E, F, G, H, K, L, M, and N. Table 7-1 shall be applied to all approximate, existing detailed and new detailed studies for riverine and coastal flooding sources.

FEMA has developed tools to assist in the development of the flood hazard data studies and the Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs). FEMA will, through the NSP, provide all CTPs access to and training in these tools. The use of these tools will assist in the Map Modernization effort and the efficiency of mapping partners.

If the CTP chooses not to use these production tools, then the CTP will be required to submit project data at major milestones in each Mapping Project in accordance with data capture standards. Submitting data in these standards will aid in more efficient quality control reviews, data storage, archiving, and for future study updates.

The Data Capture Specifications submittals will be required at the following study milestones:

- Project Scoping (as specified);
- Terrain Data Processing Completed;
- Field Survey Completed;
- Hydrology Completed (draft and final);
- Hydraulics Completed (draft and final);
- Coastal Analysis Completed (draft and final); and
- DFIRM Mapping (draft and preliminary).

Although the scoping activity is not specifically included in this table, CTPs performing scoping activities will be required to submit scoping-related data in accordance with the data capture standards.

QA/QC review activities may be performed by CTPs or the NSP at the discretion of FEMA. Please note the NSP will also be performing periodic audits and overall study/project management to monitor study quality.

FEMA will be providing download/upload capability for data capture submittals through the MIP. Data submittals uploaded via the MIP will include the same data required prior to the existence of the MIP.

Activity 2 – Scoping

Task 2-1 Project Management Team Participation

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB and FEMA/NSP

Scope: In cooperation with the FEMA Region, a Project Management Team will be established consisting of the CWCB, FEMA's Regional Engineer, Garfield County and other appropriate officials. The Project Management Team will be responsible for coordinating the activities of this project and completing all tasks identified in this Statement of Work.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables:

- CWCB will provide a document listing the project management team along with their full contact information.
- CWCB will update the Scoping Tool files to include the project management team and contact information.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-2 Initial Community Contact

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: Coordinate with the FEMA Regional Project Officer to contact *the county and communities (listed in Section 1)* and notify them that FEMA and the CWCB have selected them for a map update, and they will be working with the communities to develop the project scope. Topics to be reviewed with the communities include:

- Purpose of the Flood Map Project (i.e., the update needs that have prompted the map update);
- The community's perception of its mapping needs;
- Target schedule for completing the project;
- Possibility of the community participating as a CTP (if it isn't already); and
- The community's engineering, planning, and Geographic Information System (GIS) capabilities.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: A digital document reporting the results of the contact.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/frm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-3 Management Plan

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: The coordination protocol and general management objectives of the entire project will be addressed in *the State's Business Case Plan, which will be updated regularly*. This plan identifies the general Project, Project Team, the lines and protocols of communication between the communities and the Team members, protocols for internal flow of information among the members of the Team, the project objectives, general milestones of the Flood Map Project, QA/QC review requirements, record keeping, and project completion goals. The CWCB will communicate this information to Project Team members on an ongoing basis, and will provide additional documentation as needed.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverable: The State's Business Case Plan is available upon request.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/frm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-4 Initial Project Team Coordination

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: Following the completion of the Project Management Plan, *coordination will take place with the Project Management Team members and the appropriate representatives of the county and communities listed in Section 1*. The communities will be asked to provide input for its assessment of the flood mapping needs, available data for base maps, any existing studies or ongoing projects that may have an influence on flood mapping, the community's potential as a CTP, and the involvement of other regional or state agencies that may have an input for the map development process.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverable: A digital document summarizing coordination activities.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/frm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-5 Project Team Formation

Responsible Partner: CWCB and FEMA/NSP

Scope: The composition of the Project Team will be based on the needs of the project. The selected Project Team members will consist of the Project Management Team plus other mapping partners and NFIP stakeholders whose collective capabilities will provide all the necessary resources to successfully complete the Flood Map Project.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: *The CWCB will provide a document listing the project team along with their full contact information. CWCB will update the Scoping Tool files to include the project team and contact information.*

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Task 2 -6 Preliminary Research Activities

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: Preliminary Research Activities can be separated into two categories—researching effective information and researching available data for the Flood Map Project. The following tasks shall be completed to research effective information: conduct a thorough Mapping Needs Assessment (unless one has already been conducted); inventory the FEMA archives for effective FIRM panels, FIRM panels, FIS reports, and other flood hazard data or existing study data, including data for adjacent counties including those located within states that border Colorado; summarize the information in the MNUSS database; summarize contiguous community agreement checks; review CAV and CAC files; and develop a “scoping map” and an overview of the results of the research.

The following tasks shall be completed to research available data for Flood Map Project: identify available base map information; identify available topographic data; identify available flood hazard data; and identify other available hydrologic and hydraulic information and data.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS. An Available Data Inventory template is provided in Appendix I, Subsection I.1.6 of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Deliverables: An Available Data Inventory digital document.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-7 Potential Obstacles

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: The Project Management Team shall identify potential obstacles in an effort to learn of any issues that could delay or prohibit the Flood Map Project. Some examples of potential obstacles to completing the project in a timely fashion include the following: inability to address mapping needs adequately with available funding; difficulty coordinating community funding with FEMA funding; lack of an available base map meeting FEMA minimum specifications (described in Appendix K of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*); hydrologic and/or hydraulic issues; community concerns; reliance on other studies or data (e.g., topographic mapping) that will not be available within the project's scheduling constraints; needs not having as high a priority as originally identified; and other considerations (Federal/State/non-governmental organizations, programmatic, disaster-related, legal).

The Project Management Team shall explore potential issues on an ongoing basis. If potential obstacles are identified that could halt or significantly hinder the completion of the project, the Project Management Team shall evaluate all possible alternatives and develop an appropriate course of action as soon as practicable. *When identified, the issue will be communicated to the Project Team by CWCB, who will also initiate discussion toward resolution of the issue.*

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS. A Potential Obstacle to Project Completion Checklist template is provided in Appendix I, Subsection I.1.7 of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Deliverables: *Emails to Project Team on an ongoing basis as needed on relevant issues.*

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Task 2-8 Project Scope

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: Based on the collected information, CWCB will develop a Project Scope of the identified mapping needs of *the county and communities (listed in Section 1)*. Input received from the FEMA Regional Project Officer and other involved community agencies will be used in the development of the Draft Project Scope. The following items will be addressed in the Project Scope: review available information; determine if and how effective FIS data can be used in new project; identify other data needed to complete the Project and its source; and the DFIRM format. *This scope will be coordinated with members of the Project Team and the communities and county involved with the project.*

The Project Scope will establish priority levels for flooding sources to be analyzed and mapped, and estimate schedules and associated costs for completion of the components of flood mapping.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: CWCB will provide a Project Scope document in digital form and FEMA/NSP will update the Scoping Tool files to include the draft scope.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-9 Distribution of Background Information

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: In preparation for the Scoping Meeting (Task 12), a detailed meeting agenda and scoping presentation will be prepared in accordance with the template provided in Appendix I, Subsection I.2.4 of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*. The CWCB will distribute the Scoping Meeting agenda and present the project scope to all meeting attendees at the Scoping Meeting.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Copies of the Scoping Meeting Agenda will be distributed to the Project Team before the Scoping Meeting.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-10 Scoping Meeting Activities

Responsible Partner: CWCB and FEMA/NSP

Scope: The CWCB will coordinate, set up, and conduct the Scoping Meeting. This includes identifying a time, location, and all participants. The purpose of this meeting is to present the draft Scope of Project to the local officials (state, county and municipal) and coordinate the prioritization of proposed study areas. CWCB shall be responsible for compiling the necessary information for the meeting as contained on the Scoping Meeting Item Checklist. These items may include: FIS and FIRM for affected communities; USGS quads for the study area(s); best available community base map(s); effective FIRM summary; Available Data Inventory; Scoping Map; aerial photos/topographic mapping if available; existing drainage studies or other Hydrology & Hydraulics (H&H) data; Community master plan(s)/Drainage Master Plan(s); Zoning Maps; Street Maps; As-built plans; and Floodplain Ordinance(s).

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: A completed Scoping Meeting Package with all necessary forms will be *compiled cooperatively and distributed* to the CWCB, the FEMA Regional Project Officer, and the NSP one week after the Scoping Meeting.

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Task 2-11 Mapping Needs List Prioritization and Finalization

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: The Project Management Team shall review the mapping needs list, review the research findings, and make selections of proposed methods for obtaining/producing flood data. Any additions or changes to the needs list shall be discussed with all members. All needs shall be prioritized. In general, highest priority shall be given to the following areas: areas of dense existing or anticipated development, including areas where new road crossings have been constructed over stream(s); areas affected by flood-control structures and/or channelization; areas where natural physical changes in the floodplain have been

significant (due to subsidence or extreme erosion, for example); areas that were studied by approximate methods and unmapped areas, especially those subject to development pressure; areas where the community has experienced flooding outside mapped floodplains, with severe damage to buildings and/or infrastructure; areas where mapped flood hazards do not match those shown on contiguous FIRMs (unless those FIRMs are not considered to be accurate); and areas where flood data (BFEs, floodplains, and regulatory floodways) are likely to be changed the most by a restudy.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: The CWCB will prepare the final mapping needs list along with priorities.

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Task 2-12 Refinement of Project Scope

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: Based on the discussion of mapping needs, CWCB and FEMA Project Officer will finalize the areas to be included in the project (based on recommendations provided by the Project Team). Areas to be studied by detailed and approximate methods shall be identified. The following issues will be discussed and refined:

Review and Refinement of Flood Hazard Identification Methodologies:

The Project Team shall discuss the extent of riverine or coastal modeling required for the project. The research completed during the pre-Scoping Meeting phase shall be reviewed to determine the extent and applicability of previous modeling. Issues to be discussed include the following: models to be used from FEMA's approved models list; requirements for tie-ins to adjacent NFIP maps; areas where complex models might be required; and coordination on Coastal Issues.

Review of Proposed Paneling Scheme:

The scoping map shall be used to review the proposed paneling and scale scheme.

Review and Refinement of Base and Topographic Map Sources:

FEMA's base map specifications will be discussed. The discussion shall include the following topics: Base map source (i.e., locally developed data or DOQs meeting FEMA's minimum specifications) to be used for the project; Topographic and planimetric data sources; Coordination of countywide issues, if necessary; horizontal and vertical datums; and acquisition of the base map, if digital files are not available.

Finalization of Map Production and Database Options:

The proposed DFIRM format and optional features and data for the enhanced DFIRM Database (e.g., GIS data for watershed boundaries, stream reach hydrologic network structure, land use data, soil data, digital elevation certificates, photographs of structures) from the draft Scope of Project shall be reviewed, refined, and finalized.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: A digital Project Scope document (*CWCB will update the Scoping Tool files accordingly*).

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-14 Community Partnership Agreements

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: *The county and communities (as listed in Section 1)* will be contacted and given the opportunity to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). MOAs will be obtained from as many affected communities as possible, within the Period of Performance of this Task Order. MOAs document the good faith efforts to collaboratively assess the community's needs, develop an appropriate Project Scope, and develop and adopt the resulting maps.

If these agreements cannot be signed at the Scoping meeting (for example, if they require city council approval), they are to be processed as soon as possible after the Scoping Meeting. MOA templates are provided in Appendix I, Subsections I.2.7 and I.2.8.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Signed Community Partner MOAs.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-16 Scoping Meeting Documentation

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall prepare and distribute the meeting minutes, which shall include a list of all the participants and their respective assignments for the project, as well as the overall schedule for the project as discussed at the Scoping Meeting. The overall project schedule shall establish the basis for each Project Team member's assignment(s). Project Team members shall review their task assignments and provide feedback or comments. All changes to the proposed scope, schedule, and task assignments shall be coordinated with CWCB and the other team members.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Scoping Meeting documents including attendees sign-in list, scoping meeting minutes, and the project schedule summarizing prioritized needs within the community. Priorities are established so that areas of greatest need can be addressed with the available funding. Backup or supplemental information used in writing this report should also be included.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-18 Statement of Work or Mapping Activity Statement Revision

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall work closely with *their consultant* to develop or revise the Mapping Activity Statement (MAS) based on task assignments made during the Scoping Meeting and any subsequent changes. FEMA Regional Project Officer, FEMA Regional Contracting Officer, and FEMA HQ Program Manager shall review and approve the SOW or MAS before it is distributed to the Project Team members. The MAS shall follow the template provided in Appendix I, Subsection I.3.1 of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: The deliverable shall be the revised Mapping Activity Statement or Statement of Work.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-19 Time and Cost Estimate Preparation

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall be responsible for preparing time and cost estimates for all assigned tasks as well as coordinating and compiling time and cost estimates from other mapping partners. Based on the SOW or MAS, each mapping partner participating in the flood map project shall develop a time and cost estimate for assigned tasks. As part of these estimates, Project Team members also shall establish a schedule for their portion of the work within the schedule from the Scoping Meeting.

The time and cost estimates shall be prepared in accordance with the template for preparing time and cost estimates is provided in Appendix I, Subsection I.3.2 of the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: *Documentation of time and cost estimate for the project.* Any backup or supplemental information will also be included upon request.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-21 Updates to Mapping Needs Update Support System (MNUSS) Database or its successor

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: Once the SOW or MAS is finalized, CWCB shall update the MNUSS database to indicate that the needs included in the SOW or MAS are being addressed in an ongoing Flood Map Project. They shall also update the MNUSS database to add any new needs or revise existing needs identified during the scoping activities that will not be addressed by the current project. Additionally, they shall flag the needs that could not be verified during the research and community coordination activities as "not verified."

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Email from the MNUSS administrator stating that the MNUSS update was successful.

Appendix I may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/frm_gsai.pdf.

Task 2-22 Outreach, Coordination & Consultation

Responsible Partner: CWCB

Scope: By proactively reaching out to all key stakeholders as early in the Flood Map Project as possible, the maps can be used to their full potential. The likelihood of appeals may also be reduced or eliminated. *CWCB has developed an outreach plan (located in the State Business Plan) to accomplish the following: establishing two-way communication to address the needs of, inform and obtain feedback from, the stakeholders; ensuring compliance with due process requirements; interacting with technical representatives to ensure production of accurate and up-to-date maps; enhancing ownership by communities; tracking, monitoring, and evaluating outreach activities and adjusting efforts according to ongoing feedback and evolving project needs.*

CWCB shall also assist FEMA's Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) in consultation and coordination efforts to address outreach activities to educate stakeholders about this Flood Map Project.

CWCB shall also assist FEMA in the coordination and outreach with local officials by helping them contact the local officials and the State NFIP Coordinator and inform them that their community has been selected for a possible study. They shall also work with FEMA and local officials to inform the community and request information through meetings and other consultation activities.

Standards: All work under Activity 2 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: *The State's Business Case Plan is available upon request.*

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Activity 10B - Floodplain Mapping (Refinement or Creation of Zone A)

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall delineate the 1-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundaries for the flooding sources identified in Table 1-1. CWCB shall use existing topographic data or the topographic data acquired under Activity 4 to delineate the floodplain boundaries on a digital work map. In addition, CWCB shall address all concerns or questions regarding Activity 10B that are identified by FEMA/NSP during the independent QA/QC review under Activity 11.

CWCB shall redelineate all approximate Zone A floodplain boundaries contained in the effective FIRM using the best available topographic data and/or aerial photography. Redelineation of Zone A's shall be in conformance with FEMA guideline, including the data quality standards documented in Section 7 of the MHIP for FY 2004-2008. The floodplain boundary data quality standards outlined in Table 7-1 of the MHIP should be followed in addition to existing standards specified for floodplain mapping in the Guidelines, including Volume I, Section 1.4 and Appendices C, D, E, F, G, H, K, L, M, and N.

CWCB may expand on the approaches for analyzing Zone A areas outlined in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and in FEMA 265, *Managing Floodplain Development in Approximate Zone A Areas* (April 1995), and/or develop new approaches. Such approaches must be coordinated with the FEMA Regional Project Officer identified in Section 11 of this MAS before analysis and mapping begin.

Standards: All work under Activity 10B shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Upon completion of floodplain mapping for the flooding sources as listed in Table 1-1, CWCB shall submit the mapping to FEMA/NSP for an independent QA/QC review under Activity 11. CWCB shall submit the mapping for the remaining flooding sources for a final QA/QC review at the completion of this activity. In accordance with the TSDN format described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Digital work maps showing the new 1-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundary delineations and redelineations, flood insurance risk zone labels, and all applicable base map features;
- Written summary of the analysis methodologies;
- Any backup or supplemental information, including supporting calculations and assumptions for any computed 1-percent-annual-chance water-surface elevations used in the mapping required for the independent QA/QC review under Activity 11;
- Hardcopy and digital versions of input and output for any computer programs that were used;
- DFIRM mapping files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data, including all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Complete set of plots of DFIRM panels showing all detailed flood hazard information at a suitable scale; and
- Documentation that describes and provides the results of all automated or manual QA/QC review steps taken during the preparation of the DFIRM;
- NSP Format Mapping Database or Intermediate Data Delivery consistent with the NSP Data Capture Standards.

If automated GIS-based models are applied, all input data, output data, intermediate data processing products, and GIS data layers shall be submitted.

Appendix N may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsana.pdf.

Activity 11 - Independent QA/QC Review of Floodplain Mapping (Revised Areas)

Responsible Mapping Partner: FEMA/NSP

Scope: FEMA/NSP shall review the floodplain mapping submitted by CWCB under Activities 10, 10A, and 10B to ensure that the results of the analyses performed are accurately represented, the work maps are consistent with current FEMA standards, and the work maps are sufficient to prepare the DFIRM. This work shall include, at a minimum, the activities listed below.

- Review the cross sections for proper location and orientation on the work map and agreement with the Floodway Data Table;
- Review the BFEs shown on the work maps for proper location and agreement with the results of the hydraulic modeling;
- Review the regulatory floodway widths shown on the work maps for agreement with the widths shown in the Floodway Data Table and the results of the hydraulic modeling;
- Review the floodplain boundaries shown on the work maps or agreement with the flood elevations shown in the Floodway Data Table and the contour lines and other topographic information shown on the work maps;
- Review the floodplain widths at cross sections as shown on the work maps to ensure they match the Floodway Data Table;
- Review the floodplain boundaries as shown on the work maps to ensure they match the Flood Profiles;
- Review the flood insurance risk zones as shown on the work maps to ensure they are labeled properly;
- Review the DFIRM mapping files to ensure they were prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*; and
- Review the metadata files to ensure they include all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

This review will be performed in a timely manner so as to eliminate impact to the project schedule.

Standards: All work under Activity 11 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, FEMA/NSP shall make the following products available to FEMA and the CWCB:

- A Summary Report that describes the findings of the QA/QC review, noting any deficiencies in or agreeing with the mapping results;

- Recommendations to resolve any problems that are identified during the independent QA/QC review; and
- An annotated work map with all questions and/or concerns indicated, if necessary.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 12 - Base Map Acquisition

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall provide the digital base map for the project. The required activities are as follows:

- Obtain digital files (raster or vector) of the base map.
- Secure necessary permissions from the map source to allow FEMA's use and distribution of hardcopy and digital map products using the digital base map, free of charge.
- Certify that the digital data meets the minimum standards and specifications that FEMA requires for DFIRM production.
- Populate the DFIRM database with the information required by FEMA.

Standards: All work under Activity 12 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Written certification that the digital data meet FEMA's minimum standards and specifications; and
- Documentation that FEMA can use the digital base map.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 13 – DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: For all flooding sources except those segments for which updated flood data will be developed under Activities 1 through 11, CWCB shall convert the information shown on the effective FIRM and Flood Boundary Floodway Map (FBFM) panels for all incorporated and unincorporated areas of Garfield County to digital format in conformance with FEMA DFIRM specifications. *The redelineation will include adjustment of approximate zones utilizing best available aerial photography and/or topographic mapping as referenced in the State of Colorado Business Case Plan.* CWCB shall use the base map acquired under Activity 12 for the conversion. CWCB shall digitize 42 FIRM panels and 34 FBFM panels. CWCB also shall incorporate the results of LOMCs issued by FEMA since the date of the current effective FIRM for each affected community.

Also, CWCB shall address all comments and questions regarding Activity 13 that are identified by FEMA/NSP during the independent QA/QC review under Activity 13A.

CWCB shall not digitize the flood theme for those segments of flooding sources for which updated flood data will be developed. Rather, CWCB shall leave these as "holes" in the digital flood theme that will be filled in as part of Activity 14 using the digital flood data developed under Activities 10, 10A, and 10B.

Standards: All work under Activity 13 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: Upon completion of the DFIRM panels as noted above, CWCB shall submit the panels to FEMA/NSP for an independent QA/QC review under Activity 11. In accordance with the TSDN format described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Digital work maps showing the 1- and 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundary delineations, regulatory floodway boundary delineations, cross sections, BFEs, flood insurance risk zone labels, and all applicable base map features;
- DFIRM mapping files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data, including all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Complete set of plots of DFIRM panels showing all detailed flood hazard information at a suitable scale; and
- A Summary Report that describes and provides the results of all automated or manual QA/QC review steps taken during the preparation of the DFIRM, including a check that the road and floodplain relationship is maintained for all non-revised areas.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 13A – Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)

Responsible Mapping Partner: FEMA/NSP

Scope: FEMA/NSP shall review the DFIRM panels submitted by CWCB under Activity 13 to ensure that the new DFIRM panels accurately represent the information shown on the effective FIRMs and FBFMs for the area mapped and are consistent with current FEMA standards. This work shall include, at a minimum, checking the following:

- Cross sections are properly located and oriented as shown on the FIRMs or FBFMs;
- BFEs are properly located and agree with the BFEs shown on the FIRMs;
- Regulatory floodway widths agree with the widths shown on the FIRMs or FBFMs;
- The 1 and 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundaries agree with the floodplain boundaries shown on the FIRM and the contour lines, other topographic information, and planimetric information shown on the DFIRM base;

- Flood insurance risk zone designations are labeled properly;
- Road and floodplain relationships are maintained for all unrevised areas;
- DFIRM mapping files meet the GIS file and database format requirements specified in FEMA's *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and conform to those requirements for content and attribution; and
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data include the required information.

This review will be performed in a timely manner so as to eliminate impact to the project schedule.

Standards: All work under Activity 13A shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, FEMA/NSP shall make the following products available to FEMA and the CWCB:

- A Summary Report that describes the findings of the QA/QC review noting any deficiencies in or agreeing with the mapping results;
- Recommendations to resolve any problems that are identified during the independent QA/QC review; and
- An annotated copy of the DFIRM with all questions and/or concerns indicated, if necessary.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 14 – DFIRM Production (Merging Revised and Non-Revised Information)

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: Upon completion of the floodplain mapping activities for the revised areas (Activities 10, 10A, and/or 10B) and the DFIRM production for non-revised areas (Activity 13), CWCB shall merge the digital floodplain data into a single, updated DFIRM. This work includes the tie-in of flood hazard information for areas that were not studied as part of the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS. CWCB also shall tie in the revised and non-revised Flood Profiles, floodplain boundaries, and regulatory floodway boundaries with contiguous communities that were not studied as part of the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS. CWCB shall coordinate with FEMA and those Mapping Partners responsible for Activities 10, 10A, 10B, and 13, as necessary, to resolve any potential tie-in issues.

Standards: All work under Activity 14 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Digital work maps showing the 1- and 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundary delineations, regulatory floodway boundary delineations, cross sections, BFEs, flood insurance risk zone labels, and all applicable base map features;

- DFIRM mapping files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data, including all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Complete set of plots of DFIRM panels showing all detailed flood hazard information at a suitable scale; and
- Documentation that describes and provides the results of all automated or manual QA/QC review steps taken during the preparation of the DFIRM.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 14A – DFIRM Production (Application of FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications)

Responsible Mapping Partner: CWCB

Scope: CWCB shall apply the final FEMA DFIRM graphics and database specifications to the DFIRM files produced under Activity 14. This work shall include adding all required annotation, line pattern, area shading, and map collar information (e.g., map borders, title blocks, legends, notes to users). *CWCB shall produce 45 printed DFIRM panels.* CWCB shall coordinate with FEMA and those Mapping Partners responsible for Activities 10B, 13, and 14, as necessary, to resolve any problems that are identified during Activity 14A.

Standards: All work under Activity 14A shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Digital work maps showing the 1- and 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain boundary delineations, regulatory floodway boundary delineations, cross sections, BFEs, flood insurance risk zone labels, and all applicable base map features;
- DFIRM mapping files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data, including all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- Complete set of plots of DFIRM panels showing all detailed flood hazard information at a suitable scale; and
- A Summary Report that describes and provides the results of all automated or manual QA/QC review steps taken during the preparation of the DFIRM; and
- NSP Format DFIRM Database or Intermediate Data Delivery consistent with the NSP Data Capture Standards.

Appendix N may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsana.pdf.

Activity 14B – Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Product Meeting FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications

Responsible Mapping Partner: FEMA/NSP

Scope: Upon completion of the floodplain mapping activities (Activity 10B) and DFIRM production activities (Activities 13, 14, and 14A), FEMA/NSP shall review the DFIRM to ensure it meets current FEMA graphics specifications. In addition, FEMA/NSP shall review the DFIRM spatial database to determine if it meets current FEMA database specifications. FEMA/NSP shall coordinate with FEMA and other Mapping Partners, as necessary, to resolve any problems identified during this QA/QC review. This work shall ensure that the requirements below are met.

- All required DFIRM features are accurately and legibly labeled and follow the examples shown in the FEMA DFIRM specifications. This includes all flood insurance risk zones, BFEs, cross sections, studied streams, mapped political entities, and all roads within and adjacent to the 1-percent-annual-chance floodplains;
- All DFIRM features are correctly symbolized with the appropriate symbol, line pattern, or area shading and follow the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- All map collar information is complete, correct, and follows the requirements specified in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*;
- DFIRM mapping files are in one of the GIS file and database formats specified in FEMA's *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and conform to those specifications for content and attribution;
- DFIRM database files are in one of the database formats specified in FEMA's *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and conform to those specifications for content and attribution;
- Metadata files describing the DFIRM data include all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*; and
- The FIS report is prepared in the FEMA Countywide Format as documented in Appendix J of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

This review will be performed in a timely manner so as to eliminate impact to the project schedule.

Standards: All work under Activity 14B shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, FEMA/NSP shall make the following products available to FEMA and the CWCB:

- A Summary Report that describes the findings of the QA/QC review noting any deficiencies in or agreeing with the mapping results and the results of all automated or manual QA/QC steps taken during the independent QA/QC review;

- Recommendations to resolve any problems that are identified during the independent QA/QC review; and
- An annotated copy of the DFIRM with all questions and/or concerns indicated, if necessary.

Appendix M may be downloaded from the FEMA Flood Hazard Mapping Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/firm_gsam.pdf.

Activity 15 - Preliminary DFIRM and FIS Report Distribution

Responsible Mapping Partners: CWCB and FEMA/NSP

Scope: Activity 15 consists of the final preparation, review, and distribution of the Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report for community official and general public review and comment. The activities to be performed are summarized below.

Preliminary Transmittal Letter Preparation. The CWCB shall prepare letters to transmit the Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report and related enclosures to all affected communities, all other Project Team members, the State NFIP Coordinator, the FEMA Regional Office, and others as directed by FEMA.

Preliminary FIS Report Preparation: The CWCB shall prepare the FIS report in the FEMA Countywide Format following the FEMA requirements specified in Appendix J of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Final QA/QC Review of Preliminary DFIRM and FIS Report: The NSP shall perform a final QA/QC review of the Preliminary DFIRM and FIS report, including all data tables, Flood Profiles, and other components of the FIS report. The QA/QC review procedures shall be consistent with the *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.

Discrepancy Resolution: The NSP shall work with CWCB and FEMA as appropriate to resolve discrepancies identified during the final QA/QC review.

Distribution of Preliminary DFIRM and FIS Report: The CWCB shall distribute the Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report to all affected communities, all other Project Team members, the State NFIP Coordinator, the FEMA Regional Office, and others as directed by FEMA.

News Release Preparation: The CWCB shall prepare news release notifications of BFE changes for all affected communities if appropriate and perform QA/QC reviews of the notifications for accuracy and compliance with FEMA format requirements. The CWCB shall file the notifications for later submittal to FEMA for review.

Preliminary Summary of Map Actions (SOMA) Preparation: The CWCB shall prepare Preliminary SOMAs for all affected communities if appropriate. The SOMAs shall list pertinent information regarding LOMCs that will be affected by the issuance of the DFIRM (i.e., superseded, incorporated, revalidated).

Standards: All work under Activity 15 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and the requirements documented in Section 1

and Appendix A of the FEMA *Document Control Procedures Manual*, the CWCB shall make the products listed below available to FEMA.

- Preliminary transmittal letters shall be prepared. These letters and any additional letters requested by FEMA shall be prepared in accordance with the current version of the FEMA *Document Control Procedures Manual*;
- Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report, including all new or updated data tables and Flood Profiles, shall be prepared;
- Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report shall be mailed to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and floodplain administrator of each affected community, all other Project Team members, the State NFIP Coordinator, the FEMA Regional Office, and others as directed by FEMA;
- Preliminary SOMAs, prepared in accordance with FEMA requirements, shall be mailed with the Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report when appropriate;
- Revised DFIRM mapping files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, shall be provided on CD-ROM;
- Revised DFIRM database files, prepared in accordance with the requirements in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, shall be provided on CD-ROM;
- Revised metadata files describing the DFIRM data, including all required information shown in *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, shall be provided on CD-ROM; and
- A Summary Report that describes and provides the results of all automated or manual QA/QC review steps taken during the preparation of the DFIRM shall be provided.

Activity 16 - Post-Preliminary Processing

Responsible Mapping Partners: CWCB and FEMA/NSP

Scope: Activity 16 consists of finalizing the DFIRM and FIS report after the Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report have been issued to community officials and the public for review and comment. The activities to be performed are summarized below.

Initiation of Statutory 90-Day Appeal Period: When required, upon completion of a 30-day community comment period and/or final coordination meeting with the affected communities, the CWCB shall arrange for and verify that the following activities are completed in accordance with the current version of the FEMA *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and *Document Control Procedures Manual*:

- Proposed BFE determination letters are sent to the community CEOs and floodplain administrators;
- News release notifications of BFE changes are published in prominent newspapers with local circulation; and
- The appropriate notices (Proposed Rules) are published in the *Federal Register*.

Resolution of Appeals and Protests: The CWCB shall support FEMA in reviewing and resolving appeals and protests received during the 90-day appeal period. For each appeal and protest, the following activities shall be conducted as appropriate:

- Initial processing and acknowledgment of submittal;
- Technical review of submittal;
- Preparation of letter(s) requesting additional supporting data;
- Performance of revised analyses; and
- Preparation of a draft resolution letter and revised DFIRM and FIS report materials for FEMA review.

The CWCB shall mail all associated correspondence upon authorization by FEMA.

Preparation of Special Correspondence: The CWCB shall support FEMA/NSP in responding to comments not received within the 90-day appeal period (referred to as "special correspondence"), including drafting responses for FEMA review when appropriate and finalizing responses when requested by FEMA. The CWCB also shall mail the final correspondence (and enclosures if appropriate) and distribute appropriate copies of the correspondence and enclosures upon receipt of authorization from FEMA.

Revision of DFIRM and FIS Report: If necessary, the CWCB shall work cooperatively with the NSP to revise the DFIRM and FIS report at the direction of the FEMA Regional Project Officer and distribute Revised Preliminary copies of the DFIRM and FIS report to the CEO and floodplain administrator of each affected community, all other Project Team members, the State NFIP Coordinator, the FEMA Regional Office, and others as directed by FEMA.

Final SOMA Preparation: The CWCB shall prepare Final SOMAs for the affected communities as appropriate.

Processing of Letter of Final Determination: The CWCB shall work with FEMA/NSP to establish the effective date for the DFIRM and FIS report, and shall prepare a Letter of Final Determination (LFD) for each affected community for FEMA review in accordance with the FEMA *Document Control Procedures Manual*. The CWCB also shall mail the final signed LFDs and enclosures (including the Final SOMA and the Final Rule for publication in the *Federal Register*, when appropriate) and distribute appropriate copies of the signed LFDs and enclosures upon receipt of authorization from FEMA.

Processing of Final DFIRM and FIS Report for Printing: The CWCB shall prepare final reproduction materials for the DFIRM and FIS report and provide these materials to the FEMA Map Service Center for printing by the U.S. Government Printing Office. The CWCB also shall prepare the appropriate paperwork to accompany the DFIRM and FIS report (including Print Processing Worksheet, Printing Requisition Forms, and Community Map Actions Form) and transmittal letters to the community CEOs.

Revalidation Letter Processing. The CWCB, when appropriate, shall prepare and distribute revalidation letters to the community CEOs and floodplain administrators to notify the affected communities about LOMCs for which determinations will remain in effect after the DFIRM and FIS report become effective.

Archiving Data: The NSP shall ensure that technical and administrative support data are packaged in the FEMA-required TSDN format and stored properly in the library archives.

Standards: All work under Activity 16 shall be performed in accordance with the standards specified in Section 5 of this MAS.

Deliverables: In accordance with the TSDN format described in described in Appendix M of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners* and the requirements documented in Section 1 and Appendix A of the *FEMA Document Control Procedures Manual*, the NSP and CWCB shall make the following products available to FEMA:

- Documentation that the news release notifications were published in accordance with FEMA requirements;
- Documentation that the appropriate *Federal Register* notices (Proposed and Final Rules) were published in accordance with FEMA requirements;
- Draft and final Special Correspondence (and all associated enclosures, backup data, and other related information) for FEMA review and signature as appropriate;
- Draft and final Appeal and Protest acknowledgment, additional data, and resolution letters (and all associated enclosures, backup data, and other related information) for FEMA review and signature as appropriate;
- Draft and final LFDs (and all associated enclosures, backup data, and other related information) for FEMA review and signature;
- DFIRM negatives and final FIS report materials, including all updated data tables and Flood Profiles;
- Paperwork for the final DFIRM and FIS report materials;
- Transmittal letters for the printed DFIRM and FIS report;
- LOMC Revalidation Letters if appropriate; and
- Complete, organized archived technical and administrative support data.

Activity 17—Outreach

Task 17 – Outreach and Coordination

Responsible Entity: CWCB

Scope: The outreach activities for a Flood Map Project can best be understood as a process that begins during the Project Scoping phase and continues through the Map Production and Post-preliminary phases. A regulatory overview of required activities is followed by a description of tools that can be used in working with stakeholders to keep them informed and to solicit their input.

The overarching goal for conducting outreach is to create a climate of understanding and ownership of the mapping process at the State and local levels. Well-planned outreach activities can reduce political stress, confrontation in the media, and public controversy, which can arise from lack of information, misunderstanding, or misinformation. These outreach activities also can assist FEMA and other members of the Project Team in responding to congressional inquiries.

By proactively reaching out to all key stakeholders as early in the Flood Map Project as possible, the maps can be used to their full potential. The likelihood of appeals may also be reduced or eliminated. Specific responsible Mapping Partner activities shall include, but are not limited to:

- Establishing two-way communication to address the needs of, inform and obtain feedback from, the stakeholders;
- Ensuring compliance with due process requirements;
- Interacting with technical representatives to ensure production of accurate and up-to-date maps;
- Enhancing ownership by communities; and
- Tracking, monitoring, and evaluating outreach activities and adjusting efforts according to ongoing feedback and evolving project needs.

Standards: All work conducted under this task shall conform to the standards specified for this task in Section 5, "Applicable Standards" of this MAS. In the event of any contradictions between the MAS and the standards, the standards shall control.

Deliverables: Upon Completion of Outreach and Coordination the responsible Mapping Partner shall deliver the following to the FEMA Regional Project Officer in accordance with the delivery dates specified in task orders:

- Documentation detailing the outreach and coordination activities; and
- Backup or supplemental information used in writing this report.

SECTION 2—Technical and Administrative Support Data Submittals and special problem reports

The Project Team members for this Flood Map Project that have responsibilities for activities included in this MAS shall comply with the data submittal requirements summarized below.

All supporting documentation for the activities in this MAS shall be submitted in the TSDN format in accordance with Appendix M of the FEMA *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*, dated April 2003. Appendix M is available for viewing or download on the FEMA Web site at http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fhm/fhm_gsam.pdf. Table 2-1 indicates the sections of the TSDN that apply to each mapping activity.

Table 2-1. Mapping Activities and Applicable TSDN Sections

TSDN Section	Mapping Activities															
	1	2	3	4	5	6 6 A	7 7 A	8	9	10 10 A, 10 B	11	12	13 13A	14 14A	15	16
General Documentation																
Special Problem Reports	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Telephone Conversation Reports	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Meeting Minutes/Reports	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
General Correspondence	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Engineering Analyses																
Hydrologic Analyses			X			X	X	X	X	X	X					
Hydraulic Analyses			X			X	X	X	X	X	X					
Key to Cross-Section Labeling			X			X	X	X	X	X	X					
Key to Transect Labeling			X			X	X	X	X	X	X					
Draft FIS Report						X	X	X	X							
Mapping Information	X	X		X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Miscellaneous Reference Information	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

If any issues arise that could affect the completion of an activity within the proposed scope or budget, the responsible Mapping Partner shall complete a Special Problem Report (SPR) as soon as possible after the issue is identified and submitted to FEMA. The SPR is to describe the issue and propose possible resolutions. (For additional information on SPRs, refer to Appendix M, Subsection M.2.1.1 of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*.)

Additionally, the NSP shall collect and maintain a set of products for all Activities and shall compile a comprehensive TSDN for the entire project.

Section 3—Period of Performance

The mapping activities documented in this MAS will begin on August 1, 2005, and will be completed no later than September 30, 2008. The mapping activities may be terminated at the option of FEMA or CWCB in accordance with the provisions of the Partnership Agreement dated July 15, 2002.

Section 4—Funding/Cost-Sharing

FEMA is providing funding, in the amount of _____ CWCB for the completion of the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS. CWCB shall provide any additional resources required to complete the

Table 5-2. Project Activities and Applicable Portions of FEMA Guidelines and Specifications (Cont'd)

Activity Number	Activity Description	Applicable Volume, Section/Subsection, and Appendix
7	Independent QA/QC Review of Hydrologic Analyses	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.1) Appendix A, Section A.4 Appendix C, Section C.2 Appendices E, F, G, H, and M
7A	Independent QA/QC Review of Coastal Hazard Analyses	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.1) Appendix A, Section A.4 Appendices B, D, and M
8	Hydraulic Analyses	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2 and 1.4.2.4) Appendix A, Section A.4 (specifically Subsection A.4.7) Appendix C, Sections C.3 and C.7 Appendices B, E, F, G, H, M, and N
9	Independent QA/QC Review of Hydraulic Analyses	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.1) Appendix A, Section A.4 (specifically Subsection A.4.7) Appendix C, Section C.5 Appendices B, E, F, G, H, and M
10	Floodplain Mapping (Detailed Riverine or Coastal Analysis)	MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.2.3) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.2.3) Appendix C, Sections C.4 and C.6 Appendix C, Sections C.4 and C.6 and Appendix D, Sections D.2 (specifically Subsection D.2.7) and D.3 (specifically Subsection D.3.7) Appendix D, Sections D.2 (specifically Subsection D.2.7) and D.3 (specifically Subsection D.3.7) Appendices E, F, G, H, K, L, M, and N Appendices E, F, G, H, K, L, M, and N

Table 5-2. Project Activities and Applicable Portions of FEMA Guidelines and Specifications (Cont'd)

Activity Number	Activity Description	Applicable Volume, Section/Subsection, and Appendix
10A	Floodplain Mapping (Redelineation Using Effective Flood Profiles and Updated Topographic Data)	MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2 and 1.4.2.3) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2 and 1.4.2.3) Appendix C, Section C-6 (specifically Subsection C-6.1.3) Appendix C, Section C-6 (specifically Subsection C-6.1.3) and Appendices K, L, M, and N Appendices K, L, M, and N
10B	Floodplain Mapping (Refinement or Creation of Zone A)	MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.2.3) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsection 1.4.2.3) Appendix C, Sections C-4 and C-6 Appendix C, Sections C-4 and C-6 and Appendices K, L, and M Appendices K, L, and M
11	Independent QA/QC Review of Floodplain Mapping (Revised Areas)	MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.1 and 1.4.2.3) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.1 and 1.4.2.3) Appendix C, Sections C-4 and C-6 Appendix C, Sections C-4 and C-6 and Appendix D, Sections D-2 (specifically Subsection D-2.7) and D-3 (specifically Subsection D-3.7) Appendix D, Sections D-2 (specifically Subsection D-2.7) and D-3 (specifically Subsection D-3.7) Appendices E, F, G, H, K, L, and M Appendices E, F, G, H, K, L, and M
12	Base Map Acquisition and Preparation	Volume 1, Section 1.3 (specifically Subsection 1.3.1.8) and 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.3.1 and 1.4.3.2) Volume 1, Section 1.3 (specifically Subsection 1.3.1.8) and 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.3.1 and 1.4.3.2) Appendix A, Section A.1 (specifically Subsection A.1.1) Appendix A, Section A.1 (specifically Subsection A.1.1)
13	DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2, 1.4.2.3, and 1.4.3.2) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2, 1.4.2.3, and 1.4.3.2) MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) and Appendices K, L, and M Appendices K, L, and M

Activity Number	Activity Description	Applicable Volume, Section/Subsection, and Appendix
13A	Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2, 1.4.2.3, and 1.4.3.2) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.2, 1.4.2.3, and 1.4.3.2) MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) and Appendices K, L, and M Appendices K, L, and M

Table 5-2. Project Activities and Applicable Portions of FEMA Guidelines and Specifications (Cont'd)

Activity Number	Activity Description	Applicable Volume, Section/Subsection, and Appendix
14	DFIRM Production (Merging Revised and Non-Revised Areas)	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.3 and 1.4.3.3) Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.3 and 1.4.3.3) MHIP, Volume 1, Chapter 7 (specifically Table 7-1) and Appendices K, L, and M Appendices K, L, and M
14A	DFIRM Production (Application of FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications)	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.3, 1.4.3.3, 1.4.3.9, and 1.4.3.10) Appendices K, L, and M
14B	Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Product Meeting FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications	Volume 1, Section 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2.3, 1.4.3.3, 1.4.3.9, and 1.4.3.10) Appendices K, L, M, and N
15	Preliminary DFIRM and FIS Report Distribution	Volume 1, Sections 1.4 (specifically Subsections 1.4.2 and 1.4.3) and 1.5 (specifically Subsection 1.5.1) Appendices J, K, L, and M
16	Post-Preliminary Processing	Volume 1, Section 1.5 (specifically Subsection 1.5.2) Appendices J, K, L, and M

Section 6—Schedule

The activities documented in this MAS shall be completed in accordance with the project schedule shown in Table 6-1. If changes to this schedule are required, the responsible Mapping Partner shall coordinate with FEMA and the other Mapping Partners in a timely manner.

Table 6-1. Project Schedule

ACTIVITIES	RESPONSIBLE PARTNER(S)	DATE DUE
Activity 1 - Pre-Scoping	CWCB, FEMA/NSP	n/a
Activity 2 - Scoping	CWCB, FEMA/NSP	5/30/05
Activity 3 - Field Surveys and Reconnaissance	CWCB	n/a
Activity 4 - Topographic Data Development	CWCB	n/a
Activity 5 - Independent QA/QC Review of Topographic Data	FEMA/NSP	n/a
Activity 6 - Hydrologic Analyses	CWCB	n/a
Activity 7 - Independent QA/QC Review of Hydrologic Analyses	FEMA/NSP	n/a
Activity 8 - Hydraulic Analyses	CWCB	n/a
Activity 9 - Independent QA/QC Review of Hydraulic Analyses	FEMA/NSP	n/a
Activity 10 - Floodplain Mapping (Detailed Riverine or Coastal Analysis)	CWCB	n/a
Activity 10A - Floodplain Mapping (Redelineation Using Effective Flood Profiles and Updated Topographic Data)	CWCB	12/30/05
Activity 10B - Floodplain Mapping (Refinement or Creation of Zone A)	CWCB	12/30/05
Activity 11 - Independent QA/QC Review of Floodplain Mapping (Revised Areas)	FEMA/NSP	12/30/06
Activity 12 - Base Map Acquisition	CWCB	9/30/05
Activity 13 - DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)	CWCB	11/30/06
Activity 13A - Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Production (Non-Revised Areas)	FEMA/NSP	12/30/06
Activity 14 - DFIRM Production (Merging Revised and Non-Revised Information)	CWCB	1/30/06

ACTIVITIES	RESPONSIBLE PARTNER(S)	DATE DUE
Activity 14A – DFIRM Production (Application of DFIRM Graphics and Database Specifications)	CWCB	3/30/06
Activity 14B – Independent QA/QC Review of DFIRM Product Meeting FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications	FEMA/NSP	4/30/06
Activity 15 – Preliminary DFIRM and FIS Report Distribution	CWCB, FEMA/NSP	6/15/06
Activity 16 – Post-Preliminary Processing	CWCB, FEMA/NSP	8/30/08
Activity 17 – Outreach	CWCB	Ongoing

Section 7—Certifications

The following certifications apply to this MAS:

Activity 3 (Field Surveys and Reconnaissance) and Activity 4 (Topographic Data Development)

A Registered Professional Engineer or Licensed Land Surveyor shall certify topographic data, in accordance with 44 CFR 65.5(c). Certification of topographic data by the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing is also acceptable.

Activity 6 (Hydrologic Analyses), Activity 8 (Hydraulic Analyses), Activity 10 (Floodplain Mapping– Detailed Riverine or Coastal Analysis), Activity 10A (Floodplain Mapping {Redelineation Using Effective Flood Profiles and Updated Topographic Data}), and Activity 10B (Floodplain Mapping {Refinement or Creation of Zone A})

- A Registered Professional Engineer shall certify hydrologic and hydraulic analyses and data in accordance with 44 CFR 65.6(f);
- A Registered Professional Engineer or Licensed Land Surveyor shall certify topographic information in accordance with 44 CFR 65.5(c); and
- Any levee systems to be accredited will be certified in accordance with 44 CFR 65.10(e).

Activity 10 (Floodplain Mapping– Detailed Riverine or Coastal Analysis), Activity 10A (Floodplain Mapping {Redelineation Using Effective Flood Profiles and Updated Topographic Data}), and Activity 10B (Floodplain Mapping {Refinement or Creation of Zone A}), Activity 11 (Independent QA/QC Review of Floodplain Mapping {Revised Areas}), Activity 13 (DFIRM Production {Non-Revised Areas}), Activity 14 (DFIRM Production {Merging Revised and Non-Revised Information}), and Activity 14A (DFIRM Production {Application of FEMA Graphics and Database Specifications})

The DFIRM metadata files shall include a description of the horizontal and vertical accuracy of the DFIRM base map and floodplain information.

Activity 12 (Base Map Acquisition and Preparation)

- A community official or responsible party shall provide written certification that the digital data meet FEMA minimum standards and specifications.
- The responsible Mapping Partner shall provide documentation that the digital base map can be used by FEMA. Please note that uploading base map data to the MIP does not constitute agreement that the digital base map can be used by FEMA. Documentation that the digital base map can be used by FEMA will still be required.

Certifications must be made at the time the intermediate data is submitted. For example, if hydrologic data is submitted, certification will be required at the time it is submitted.

Section 8—Technical Assistance and Resources

Project Team members may obtain copies of FEMA-issued LOMCs, archived engineering backup data, and data collected as part of the FEMA Mapping Needs Assessment Process from the NSP, who may be contacted by telephone at 720-514-1110 or by facsimile at 720-514-1120.

General technical and programmatic information, such as FEMA 265 and the Quick-2 computer program, can be downloaded from the FEMA Web site (<http://www.fema.gov/fhm/>). Specific technical and programmatic support may be provided through the NSP; such assistance should be requested through the FEMA Project Officer specified in Section 11 of this MAS.

Project Team members also may consult with the FEMA Regional Project Officer to request support in the areas of selection of data sources, digital data accuracy standards, assessment of vertical data accuracy, data collection methods or subcontractors, and GIS-based engineering and modeling training.

Section 9—Contractors

CWCB intends to use the services of PBS&J as a contractor for the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS. CWCB shall ensure that the procurement for all contractors used for this Flood Map Project complies with the requirements of 44 CFR 13.36.

Part 13 may be downloaded in PDF or text format from the U.S. Government Printing Office Web site at http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_02/44cfr13_02.html.

Section 10—Financial Reporting

Because funding has been provided to CWCB by FEMA for the Flood Map Project documented in this MAS, financial reporting requirements for CWCB will be in accordance with Cooperative Agreement Articles V and VI.

CWCB will meet with the NSP and/or FEMA *as needed* to review the progress of the project. These meetings will alternate between FEMA's Regional Office and the CWCB office.

CWCB will provide to the NSP regular updates for each of the mapping activity statements. This may, at FEMA's discretion be a spreadsheet template to be completed or the Monitoring Information on Contracted Studies (MICS) system may be used. It may include dollars spent, hours spent, and percent complete of each major Flood Map Project activity (e.g., field survey, terrain, hydrology) on a county basis. Specific reporting requirements will be finalized as a part of the scoping meeting.

Section 11—Points of Contact

The points of contact for this Flood Map Project are Dan Carlson, the FEMA Regional Project Officer; Karen Price, the Colorado Map Mod Coordinator for the CWCB; or subsequent personnel of comparable experience who are appointed to fulfill these responsibilities. When necessary, the assistance of the NSP should be requested through the FEMA Project Officer, Kevin Long.

In addition, the NSP is required to coordinate project issues with the responsible Mapping Partner that created the MAS deliverable or portions of the MAS deliverable product and will document all such coordination activities with the CTP and FEMA.

Section 12—Project Coordination

Throughout the project, all members of the Project Team will coordinate, as necessary, to ensure the products meet the technical and format specifications required and contain accurate, up-to-date information. Coordination activities may include:

- Meetings, teleconferences, and videoconferences with FEMA and other Project Team members *as needed*;
- Telephone conversations with FEMA and other Project Team members *as needed*;
- Updates to the MICS, MNUSS database, and other FEMA status information systems in accordance with requirements in Volumes 1 and 3 of *Guidelines and Specifications for Flood Hazard Mapping Partners*; and
- E-mail, facsimile transmissions, and letters, as required.

Each party has caused this MAS to be executed by its duly authorized representative.



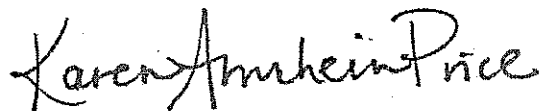
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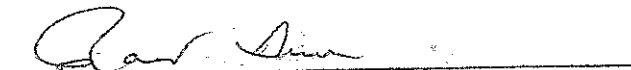
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